Virginia Legislature. In the Senate, on Friday, the bill appropristing \$25,000 to the Military Institute, came up. Mr. Paxton explained that a portion of the appropriation was to be devoted to finishing tuildings, in the erection of which the Bard of Visitors had transcended their power by exceeding the amount appropriated. Mr. Catlett was opposed to the system of msking appropriations upon all occasions for making appropriated by the agents of the State

in expending its money.

Mr. Stuart advocated the appropriation as RTE...... 0 56 @ 0 58 CLOVER SEED, (retail) 6 00 @ 0 00 pecessary, in view of the unfinished condi-TIMOTHY SEED 2 50 @ 3 25 ion of the mess hall and other new buildings. TLATSEED...... 1 00 @ 1 05 He also showed that it was necessary for Somac, (hundred) 1 90 @ 1 25 a suptly of water and the enclosure of the grands Hereafter he thought the Board Visitors should be made responsible for over expenditures.

Mr. Douglas offered a ryder to the bill. providing "that before any part of the approproation shall be applied to procuring water or enclosing the grounds, plans and e-timates for it shall be obtained from an engineer and workman-not an officer of the institution. and the Superintendent of the Institute shall he invidually responsible for an excess of the

appropriation. Mr. Welch, of Madison, opposed the ryder. on the ground that it was surrendering the principle for which the opponents of the bill contended. It was folly to talk of holding Col. Smith, the Superintendent, individually responsible. He showed that a magnificent and spacious house, to accommodate 300 to 400 persons, eating and sleeping, could he erected for \$10,000, and asked to know why the buildings at the Institute were to cost so much more than ordinary buildings. He thought the appropriation asked for was

Mr. Floyd was opposed to the ryder on the ground that it was an imputation on the offie re of the institution.

Mr. Taliaferro was unwilling to cast any imputation on the officers of the Institute or the Board of Visitors. He called for the reading of the bill. The bill was read. The ryder was ordered to its engross-

The bill, with the ryder, attached, was then put on its passage and defeated, for want of a con-titutional majority, by the following vote -Aves 21-Noes 15. On motion of Mr. Douglas, the vote was reconsidered, and on motion of Mr. Paxton,

the bill was laid on the table. On motion the Senate adjourned. In the House of Delegates, on Friday, the House proceeded to the consideration of the order of the day, being a "bill to prevent the

unlawful bridging of the Ohio river, near Stubensville, and for that purpose to define and punish such offences. Mr. Sweeney, who addressed the House at length in advocacy of the bill, was interrupted by the Speaker, who informed him

tion of the Covington and Ohio Railroad bill the order of the day having priority. Mr. Boreman moved that this order of the day be passed by indefinitely, with the view of further considering the "bridge bill"

that the hour had arrived for the considera-

Mr. Martin proposed to smend this motion, so as to pass by for the purpose of considering the resolution from the Senate for the extension of the session. Mr. Christian demanded the previous ques-

tion, and Mr. Boreman called for the yeas and nays The amendment proposed by Mr. Martin was agreed to-yeas 89, nays 48.

The motion, as thus amended, was then agreed to. The resolution from the Senate was read as

Resolved, By the General Assembly, that it is expedient to prolong the session of the General Assembly beyond the constitutional period of ninety days, and that the sam be extended to Monday, 15th inst., at 12

o'clock, M. Mr. Haymond took the floor, and addressed the House at length in opposition to any extension of the session-speaking against time. Mr. Anderson moved to amend the Senate's resolution so as to make the continuation indefaire. The motion was agreed to-ayes 61,

noes 53 The question then recurred on the adoption of the Sepate's resolution, and it was determined in the negative for the want of ninetytwo affirmative votes as required by the Constitution. The vote was recorded, viz: Ayes

8; nays 64. The resolution being disposed of, the Covington and Ohio railroad bill came up as the order of the day.

Mr. Chapman said that he had come to the House for the purpose, mainly, of advocating an appropriation to the Covington and Obio railroad, but he now saw that there would be no chance for a fair bearing. The fiat had gone forth that the present session of the Legislature would terminate to-morrow night, and it was initmated to him that if the Covington and Ohio railroad bill was now considered, a member of the House would speak in oppposition to the measure, until 12 in this place; but it certainly can be rendered o'clock to-morrow night, when the session terminates by constitutional limit. Mr. C. cles are to be locked up, and the key in possessaid that he had never witnessed such scenes in the Legislature of Virginia as had been exhibited to him at this session. Mr. C. moved to pass by the order of the day, for the purpose of taking up the bill to prevent the unlawful bridging of the Ohio river.

Mr. Seddon proposed to amend this motion by passing by the order of the day with the view of taking up the appropriation bill-He remarked that it was not necessary to pass a tax bill at this session, as the bill of last year holds over. vided attention to the duties. In presenting my

The House then adjourned.

On the 7th instant, at Vaucluse, Fairfax Counly, in the 76th year of her age, Mrs. MAR-GARET FAIRFAX, widow of the late Thomas Fairfax. The triends of the family are invi'ed to attend her funeral, from the Chapel of the Episcopal Theological Seminary, at 12 o'clock, on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

In Washington, on the 6th inst, Mrs. MARY BROWN, (consort of Wm. Brown, deceased.) to state, that such report (whether the offspring in the filst year of her age. She died as she lived, a devout Christian, In Georgetown, (D. C.) on the 6th instant,

Mrs. ANNA TENNEY, in the 76th year of

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fine order, in store, and for sale by teb 20-e02w LEWIS MOKENZIE.

COMMERCIAL. The Defeat of the British Ministry. The Times says that the real question in PRICES OF PRODUCE IN ALEXANDRIA. Parliament last night was whether Lord Pa!-FROM CARS, VESSELS, AND WAGONS, (YESTERDAY) merston had or had not maintained the nonor Do Family....... 6 50 @ 7 00 WHEAT, white...... 1 05 @ 1 08 Do red...... 1 00 @ CORN, (white.)...... 0 57 @ OATS 0 30 @

BUTTER, roll, # D 0 18 @

PORK..... 6 00 @ 6 50

WHITE BEANS 1 25 @ 1 50

BLACK-EYED PEAS...... 1 00 @ 0 00

HAY, (* 100 bs.)...... 62} @ 0 75

There were no sales of Flour reported on

Change yesterday, and the market is quiet.

Transactions in Wheat moderate. Sales of

price for fair; red 100@102c; quality inferior

The demand for Corn is active, and prices tend-

ing upward. Sales of 2,000 bushels at 55@56c

for mixed, and 57@58c. for white. No yellow

offered. There were no sales of Oats reported,

and we quote nominally at 30@32c. Rye is

The Markets.

BALTIMORE, March 8 .- Flour is firm; sales o

,000 bbls. of Howard street at \$4.50. City

Mills is held at the same figure. Wheat is

steady; good to prime red 104@106c, and white

114@120c. Corn is firmer: white 58c.; yellow

61c. Whiskey is steady at 201/@21c Clover-

seed is dull and lower; good to prime \$4.75@

NEW YORK, March S .- Flour is heavy, except

for Southern, which is steady. State has de

clined 5c., and is selling for \$4.25@\$4.35; Ohio

is held at \$4 95@\$5.10; Southern \$4.60@\$5.10.

Wheat is very dull; sales unimportant, and pri-

ces nominal. Corn is unsettled; white 67@69c;

yellow 70@71c. Pork is buoyant; mess \$16.90

@\$17; prime \$13,25. Beef is quiet, at \$11.50

@\$13 for Chicago repacked Lard is higher;

in bbls. 97@101c. Whiskey is dull at 221c. for

The New York Post of Saturday evening

says :- "The bank statement of to-day will no

doubt show a marked increase in the specie line.

compared with the footings of last Saturday.

The discount line has not varied from the uni-

"The foreign exchange market is very quiet

and rates have undergone a further decline

Bankers' bills have sold at 100@1001, with some

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10 Wednesday 5 12 5 48 New 15 7 2 M

11 Thursday .. 6 11 5 49 First r .. 22 2 32 M

13 Saturday ... 6 9,5 51 Last gr. 6 8 33 M

LATEST DATES.

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PORT OF ALEXANDRIA-MARCH 8

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MEMORANDA

The Schr. Fleetwood left New York.

the 17th of February last, for Alexandria, Va.

At 11 o'clock, P. M., she struck upon the bar

known as Hereford outer bar, near Cape May,

the wind at the time blowing heavily, and the

sea rough. Finding it impossible to run my

anchor with my own boat, I succeeded in land

ing upon an island near by, upon which is placed,

to be used by vessels in distress, but could find

no one in whose charge these things were placed

broke open the house, obtained the life boat,

and happily succeeded in getting the vessel off

without damage. Could I not have got posses-

sion of this life boat, my vessel must have been

inevitably lost, as it was utterly impossible to

run the anchor with the vessel's boat. Govern-

placing the means of saving lite and property

of very little use, if, as at present, all these arti-

sion of a man at a distance of 8 miles from them.

Government pays a salary of \$200, I think, to

have these things taken care of; but they would

render them much more efficient by placing

them in the hands of some person to be upon

To the Voters of the County of Alex-

ndria:-Answering the calls of many triends,

I announce myself a candidate for the office of

Clerk of the County Court, and pledge my undi-

name to an intelligent and generous constituen-

or have I other business to divide the pledge I

To the Voters of Alexandria: - As

some persons seem determined to misrepresent

my position, and are still engaged in circulating

the report that I have declined being a candi-

date for the Sheriffalty, I deem it due to myself

of "political trickery" or not.) is an unqualified

falsehood-maliciously invented and secretly

circulated, for the sole purpose of defeating my

election. I now announce myself a candidate,

and pledge myself to do my whole duty, if elec-

To the Voters of Fauquier County-

FRI LOW CITIZENS :- By the solicitation of many

friends, I have consented to become a candidate

for the office of Commissioner of the Revenue

in the Northeastern District. In offering my-

self for that important office. I do not seek it as

an office of honor, but only in a pecuniary

point; and should it be the choice of the

TO THE VOTERS OF FAUQUIER COUNTY

FELLOW-CITIZENS :-- I am before you as a candi-

date for the Commissioner of the Revenue, for

the North Eastern District, and respectfully ask

JOHN AMBLER respectfully announces him-

self as a candidate for the office of Clerk of the

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of the country in his recent communications with the French government; and the House, by 19 majority, has for the present decided The consequence of the division last night must be serious; probably more so than the majority has thought fit to estimate. We forhear to anticipate the decision importance, but it is plain that unless motives of paramount duty should oblige Palmerston to retain office, the simplest course radical and tory faction (who though dia- volume. The question was postponed. metrically op; posed to each other on the bill, bave united for the purpose of defeating its purposes,) the task of deciding by which of them the government of the country shall be carried on.

The Daily News accounts for the majority against the government by stating that the contempt for the pu-ilanimity that could permit Count Walewski's first dispatch to remain sition to the bill. unanswered is all the more natural, and has LARD, (in kegs) 0 09 @ 0 093 sought and found vent in the more recent discussion and vote.

The Herald expresses the opinion that the passed. amendment proposed by the member for A-bton was censure upon the ministerial policy. and that the only recourse for Palmerston is immediate retirement from Parliament. It white at 100, 103, 105, and 108e.; the latter has virtually consured the ministry, and for them to attempt to retain authority would be mockery and degradation.

Renewed Activity in Stocks.

Few of our readers can have failed to ob serve the remarkable increase in the sale of stocks, which has taken place recently, and is at present going on with great rapidity. The present activity in the stock market exceeds ground of claiming indemnity from her for anything which has been seen here for a long linjury to the French steamer Lyonnaise, time. For many months before the recent revulsion, the sales at the Broker's Broad were but trifling in amount, for a considerable period not exceeding \$200,000 per month, and nerhaps at times not even reaching that figure. But at the very moment when stocks were suffering under this paralysis in Boston. New York was witnessing a mania for stock superannuated preachers being called, speculations, never equalled in this country. In the month of July, the sales at the Brokers' Board in New York amounted to \$11,000,000 per week, and the excitement went on, until the approach of the crisis began to affect the principal operators .-When the storm finally came, the transac tions in stocks, like those in every other kind of property, gave way to it; but now that quit is restored, the fever for speculation has prong up again in New York, as well as in Boston, and promises to reach, if not exceed, its former intensity .- Boston Advocate.

Gretna Green Marriages. The force of custom over law is exemplified by the continued resort of lovers who have upreasonable parents or friends, to that famous locality known as Gretna Green. A recent Scotch paper says:- The vicinity of Gretna Green is still dangerous to ardent couples, but the wholesome operation of the new law is frequently illustrated. Imprudent lovers, not out of their teens, who could, without difficulty, a year or two ago bave tied the Gordian knot at the Blacksmith's hard by, have been compelled to perform legal quarantine before they could be admitted to the haven of their desires. In two instances lately, the necessity of these preliminary steps has led to reflection, and the union has been prevented by the interference of friends. In a third instance the impatient couple determined to effect the transition upon the old system. They accordingly went to Gretna and were there 'married in due form. Of course the proceeding was illegal, but though either do not, or affect not to believe it, for and wife, and no doubt are considered as

such by their friends. Painful Retribution, if True.

The Newport Spectator says there is a young man in a town of Vermont who cannot speak to his father. Previous to his birth, some difference aro-e between his mother and her husband, and for a considerable time she refused to speak to him. The difficulty was subsequently healed; the child was born, and in due time began to talk, but when sitting with his father was invariably silent. It continued so till it was five years old, when the father, having exhausted his powers of persuasion, threatened it with punishment for its stubbornness. When the punishment was inflicted, it elicited nothing but sighs and grouns, which told but too plainly that the little sufferer was vainly en deavoring to speak. All who were present united in this opinion - that it was impossible for the child to speak to his father; and time proved their opinion to be correct. At a maturer age its efforts to converse with its parent could only produce bitter sighs and ment is entitled to a great deal of credit for groans.

Buying "Old Masters."

The following extract, says an Albany paper, from a private letter lately received by Palmer, the sculpter, from a distina suggestive commentary on those numerous min F. Brown, of Georgetown.- Wash. Star. art-bargains, in which the purchaser as well as the picture is "sold:"

"I have not the rage for what are called and sold for 'Old Masters.' There was a case before the courts here a short time since, of a gentleman who had purchased an authenticated and certified original painting, with a celebrated name, for £800, (\$4,000) He subsequently learned that he original was in a certain gallery or palace, and that he had only a copy. cy, I wish to inform them that I hold no offices, sued the person from whom he purchased it; and on the trial the painter who made his copy was a witness, and swore that the made it and received only \$30 for it from the merchant who sold it to the plaintiff! Such cases are not uncommon. The initating of old paintings is a trade quite as

> much as an art bere.' JACKSONVILLE, Feb. 28, 1858 -We have nothing further of interest from the Indian country. Col. Rogers, of the regiment of mounted volunteers, passed through here a few days since, and gave it as his opinion that hostilities would soon cease, owing to the belief that the efforts being made to procure a peaceful removal of the Seminoles to the West would be successful. A battalion has, however, been ordered into service by the Governor, with a view to pushing mai ters yet more vigorously against the red skips, in case of their refusal to emigrate. Col. Wright, of Alligator, is spoken of as the

people to elect me, I will try to discharge the probable commander of the new battalion.

Death of Col. Edward Lucas. Armory, at Harper's Ferry, died sometime since, and is probably making his way to the during Thursday night. His remains will North. be interred in the family burial ground upon the farm of Dr. R. A. Lucas, near this place, on to-morrow, (Sunday) 7th March, at 12 o'clock, M .- Shepherdstown Register.

TANTED-In a private family, a young WOMAN, who is a good Sea nstress and Ironer, and willing to make herself gene rally useful. To such a one, a good home may be secured, by addressing through the Alexandria Post Office. [mh 9-3t] ADVERTISER.

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WOOL purchased by DANIEL P. HOOR.

Congress. In the Senate, yesterday, a number of private and unimportant bills and resolutions were introduced, and appropriately dis-

Mr. Johnson, from the Committee on Printing, reported a resolution for printing 10,000 copies of the Patent Office report for 1857, on arts and manufactures, instead of the usual of the government on a point which happens number. He said that printing the same to affect an imperial interest of unspeakable number of these reports as was printed last appearance of land and water not different year, would cost \$50,000.

would be for him to resign and leave to the after, these reports shall be included in one as can be seen, and the ground was covered

Mr. Green called up the Kansas bill, saying that, as it was determined to put the bill on its final passage on next Monday, all the opportunities available should be allowed for its discussion

Mr. Doolittle resumed his remarks in oppo-

the rules of the House.

prevail Mr. Taylor introduced a resolution direct tive to the seizure of the American bark Adriatic by the French Government, on the

This resolution was discussed at length.

Baltimore Annual Conference, In the Conference, yesterday, the list of

Rev. S. Smith, stated that he had been superannuated for tweive years, and desired to be restored to effective membership; case laid over informally. The Rev. R. Barnes, was, on motion, con-

tinued on the superannuated list. The applications of local preachers for deacons orders being called, the recommendation of Rev. Tillman Jackson, colored, was

duly received and passed.

The new charter of the Elucation Society rendering it necessary to enlarge the board. submitted by Rev. Charles Collins, and accepted by the Conference. On the part of ne Baltimore Conference, the following were elected on the new board: Revs. Wm. Hamilton, Isaac P. Cook, C. J. Baker, and John

The following brethren were then elected managers of the Preachers' Aid Society:--Preachers, Rev. Wm. B. Edwards, John S. Martin, Thos. Sewall, and R. H. Dashiell .--Laymen, Isaac P. Cook, Robt. Israel, and Dr. Roberts.

Rev. David Thomas, from the committee on Dickinson College, presented the annual report of that Institution, accompanied by a series of resolutions commendatory of the same, and instructing the conference to assume a portion of the debt of \$18,000 now After some discussion the Conference

rate adopted the report and laid the resolution on the table. The Chair introduced to the body. Revi Mr French of the Cincinnati Conference, and

the couple have been assured of this, they Rev. Mr. Wise, editor of the Sunday School Advocate, who were invited to seats in the The Chair presented a memorial of the

colored preachers, asking that a conference be held annually for their special benefit; referred to the presiding elders. A committee, consisting of Revs. F. Israel,

S. Rogers, W. J. B. Morgan, C. E. Young, J. R. Wheeler, and D. W. Arnold-was appointed with Rev. Mr. Thomson, on the subject of the National Magazine. The order of the day, being the call

the stewards for collections and claims, was g ne into, and occupied the Conference a considerable time. Rev. Dr. Durbin addressed the Conference,

requesting the appointment of a committee prepare a constitution for a Conference Missionary Society and to report the same to-On motion, a committee of three, consist-

ing of Revs. Norval Wilson, F. Israel, and W. B. Edwards, was appointed. On motion of Rev. Mr. Hamilton, the Education Board, made their report through

their secretary, Rev. Mr. Cook. It was, on motion, received and ordered to be placed on file. Rev. Mr. Eddy, editor of the "Northwest-

ern Christian Advocate," was introduced to the session, and invited to a seat in the Con-The Conference then adjourned to listen to

guished Ex-Governor now in Rome, contains a missionary sermon from the Rev. Benja-

Dreadful Catastrophe at Newbern, N. C. About one o'clock on the morning of the 231 ultime, the dwelling of Thomas J. Marshall, at Newbern, N. C., was discovered to be on fire. The first intimation Mr. M. had of his house being on fire, was in bearing his the direction of the renowned Matt. Peel. name called by the girl, when he found himseit almost suffocated with smoke. He awoke his wife and then immediately sprang for the stairs, but found them and the whole of the lower portion of the back part of the building enveloped in flames. With no other means of egress their only alternative was to street. This Mr. M. instantly did, the idea troupe which has ever visited this city. occurring to him at the time, that he would procure a ladder from some of the neighbors and thus be enabled to save his wife and children; but, upon searching the neighborbood he could not find one sufficiently small for him to be able to carry himself, nor could he arouse the neighbors in time for them to

te of any assistance to him. He hastily returned to the house and succeeded in rescuing his wife who had fallen suffoca ed to the floor with her babe. The babe was also rescued but has since died of its injuries. Two other children, John Da vis, about five years and William Edward,

about three years old, perished in the flames. MIFTY DOLLARS REWARD!--Ranaway from the subscriber, living in the lower end Culpeper county Va , near Richardsville, a transacted. Negro Map named PROSPER, aged about 21 years. He is about five feet six or seven inches in height, light complexion, low forehead, and As we go to press we learn that Col. Ed- bushy hair. He left the neigh so hood on Monward Lucas, Paymaster of the United States day morning last, and has not been heard of

> A reward of \$10 will be paid for Prosper, if taken within ten miles, \$25 if taken over ten miles, within the State, and \$50 if arrested out of it, and returned to me, or secured in jail so that I get him again. ELIZA RICHARDS.

Culpeper Co., Va., mh 9-tf MAMILY, EXTRA, AND S. PERFINE FLOUR, in store, and for sale by PERRY & PENNYBACKER

PORTLAND SUGAR AND SYRUP 200 BBLS. H. B. PORTI AND SYRUP 125 bbls. Yellow do. SUGAR SUGAR 75 " A. A. do. Just received per Schr. B. F. Reeves, for sale by FOWLE & CO.

LOCAL ITEMS.

No Southern Mail -The Southern Mail failed again yesterday. Up to seven o'clock last night, there were no signs of the steamer from Aquia creek, which went down in the

STILL WINTER.-HEAVY SNOW STORM -Yesterday morning a heavy snow storm commenced, the weather being very cold, and the from what might be expected in a dreary day Mr. Wilson moved to amend, so that, here- in mid winter. The river is frezen up as far with spow, to the depth of six inches, at 3 o'clock, when it ceased falling.

Fire .-- A fire broke out on Saturday night last, about 114 o'clock, in a frame tenement, on Washington street, owned by Mr. James Vansant and occupied by V. Helmood, as a by the Board. store and dwelling, and before the flames could be extinguished, the house was nearly | ble, viz : In the House of Representatives, a private destroyed with much of its contents, and the bill for the relief of John Hamilton, was adjoining house, also owned by Mr. Vansant, and occupied as an office by Dr. C. W. Mr. Clingman asked leave to offer a resolu- Chancellor, was considerably damaged. Mr. tion providing for a select committee to alter Vansant's loss is fully covered by insurance. The fire was the work of an incendiary. We Objection being made, he moved a suspectance are requested by Dr. Chancellor to say that sion of the rules; but the motion did not he sincerely thanks his friends for the kindness manifested in his regard on the occasion of the fire. He may for the present be found ing the President to institute inquiries rela- through the day at Milburo's Drug Store, and at night at Newton's Hotel.

FIRE IN THE COUNTY .- The Washington Star of yesterday afternoon says :- "On Saturday afternoon last, the servants' house which was run into by the Adriatic on the on the farm of Mr. Elias Yulee, in Alexandria county, Va., caught fire from sparks from the chimney, and was burned to the ground; involving a loss of perhaps \$300 -By the exertions of the family and various neighbors, the main house of the farm was preserved from destruction, with great difficulty, indeed.

Missions -The anniversary meeting of the Missionary Society, of the Methodist Episcopal Church, tock place at the Washington street church, on Sunday, and was an occasion of great interest. In the morning the Church was filled to overflowing and an eloquent sermon was preached by Rev. J. P. Durbin. The children connected with the The resignations of the former members were | Sabbath School Missionary Society were addressed in the afternoon by Roys. W. V. Tudor and J. P. Durbin; and at night the Church was again crowded and the Rev. W. B. Edwards preached. The amount collected during the day for Missionary purposes was

ALEXANDRIA LITERARY SOCIETY .- This agsociation met at the Alexandria Library on Saturday evening last, Mr. R. L. Carne, jr., presiding in the absence of the President .-The question: "Should the usury laws be repealed?" was ably discussed by Messre. Henry Fleming, David Smoot and I. Louis Kinzer in the affirmative, and Mesers. Wm. A. Duncan and George W. Brent in the negative, and decided in the affirmative by a majority of two.

The following questions were than an nounced for discussion, viz: On the 13th inst.: "Does poetry advance

with civilization? On the 20th inst.: "Is a monarchical or republican form of government, more favorable to the development of literature?"

SLEIGHING .- As soon as it stopped snowing yesterday afternoon the quiet, of out-of doors was broken by the gingling of the innumerable little bells on the horses, as the sleighs went dashing up and down the streets .--Many supposing this would be about the last chance for a sleigh-ride this season were making the most of it.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN .- The members of the old Board hold over until the newly elected members qualify. See the proceedings in another column.

INCENDIARIES .- The number of fires recently in this city, has given probability to the fear that we have incendiaries among us, who for mischief, or plunder, or other purposes, are endangering the lives and property of our citizens. It would be well, at this time, to exercise extra vigilance and caution, against the designs of house burners.

THE CAMPBELLS ARE COMING .- It will be seen by an advertisement in another column, of to-day's Gazette, that the original Campbell's minstrels are to give two concerts in this city, at Liberty Hall, on Friday and Saturday nights. They are at present under

THE PEAK FAMILY .- This evening a concert will be given by this musical troups, consisting of bell ringing, harp performances, and singing. We may safely say that the exhibitions given by the Peak Family far jump from the upper stair window into the surpass in interest those of any similar

> In consequence of the severity of the weather and the ice, the trip of the Steamer Columbia from Baltimore, last Saturday, was deferred.

> Assaults and robberies in Washington City, continue to be mentioned in the papers

WASHINGTON ITEMS -- CRIMINAL COURT --From causes of various kinds very little business was done last week, though the Farm, if one can be had to suit in price, terms, Grand Jury was regularly in session. It is &c., in the neighborhood of Alexandria. Ad spoosed that this and the coming week, dress afairs will be different and much business

Fire —On Saturday night, at about a quarter of 12 o'clock, the one-story frame building near the National Observatory, known as P. tomac Chapel, was set on fire and destroyed. It has been latterly used as a place of worship by the Episcopalians .- Nat Int.

RUNAWAYS, \$50 REWARD.—Ranaway from the subscriber on or about the 1st of February, ult., the following described negroes, which were at work on my farm in Culpeper county, Va. A boy named JIM POLLARD, about 26 years old, dark complexion, rather tall and spare made. Also his brother, TOM POLLARD, about 21 years old, well made, full, round face, mulatto complexion. I will give a reward of \$25 each for the apprehension of said negroes so that I get them again. Letters may be addressed to me at Fredericks-

HENRY FITZHUGH. burg, Va. Fredericksburg, mh 2-eolm W OOL, purchased by je 4 RIDGELY, HAMPTON & CO.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen, held March 8th, 1858, there were present, Law. B. Taylor, esq , President.

Messrs. Armstrong. Robertson, Reid, Demp sev. Simpson, and Grimes. Mr. Reid, on leave, introduced a bill entitled An act fixing the salaries of certain officers of

the Corporation, for the year 1858," which, on his motion, was laid on the table.

Mr. Reid offered the following resolution, viz Resolved, That the Attorney of the Corporation be requested to examine into the subject and communicate to this board, his opinion whether under the Charter of the city and the 54th Chapter of the Code of Virginia, the failure of members newly elected to this branch of the City Council to organize within seven days as

of their office. Mr. Robertson moved to amend by adding to the resolution, the following words, viz: "and whether the failure of any two to appear, shall vacate the election generally;" amendment ad pted, and the resolution as amended, passed

provided in the Charter, operates as a vacating

Mr. Armstrong offered the following resolution, which, on his motion, was laid on the ta-

Resolved, That the Committee on Streets be, and they are hereby instructed to advertise for roposals for cleaning the Streets, Lanes, and Alleys, within the city of Alexandria, for one year from the 25th of March, 1858, and be it urther resolved. That they are hereby fully empowered to make such a contract as they deem proper on behalf of the said city of Alexandria. The Board then adjourned.

S. J. McCORMICK, Clerk. THE CAMPBELL'S ARE COMING! THIRTEEN PERFORMERS

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MATT PEEL'S ORIGINAL CAMPBELL MINSTRELS Have the honor to announce a series of their POPULAR CONCERTS!

This Company is comprised of the best talent in the United States-all under the direction of the world renowned MATT PEEL. Change of Programme nightly. For par iculars, see bills of the day.

Tickets 25 cents. Parquette 371 cents.

Doors open at ϵ_1^3 —commence at $7\frac{3}{4}$ o'clock. mb 9—5t Dr. F. A. JONES, Agent. LIBERTY HALL!

MONDAY, TUESDAY, and WEDNESDAY Evenings, March 8th, 9th, 10th CICKETS 25 CENTS. FRONT SEATS 374 CENTS THE PEAK FAMILY,

Of 8 Members, AS VOCALISTS, HARPISTS & ORIGINAL LANCASHIRE BELL-RINGERS. Consisting of the following Performers:

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to present them for settlement. GEO. H. SMOOT. P. G. UHLER. J. H. D. SMOOT.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE—The under-signed, have this day formed a copartnership, under the firm of SMOOT, UHLER & ticularly well suited for a Market Garden. Sale for the purpose of continuing the LUM. to be at 12 o'clock, M. Cameron streets, where they have on hand a general assortment of well seasoned LUMBER; also, LIME, CEMENT, NAILS, &c., which, as heretofore, will be sold low for cash, or to punctual customers. GEORGE H SMOOT.

P. G. UHLER. I H D SMOOT ALLEGHANEY SMOOT.

TOTICE.-The co-partnership of D. & S. BLACKLOCK, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Either party is authorized to use the name of the firm in settlement of its old D. R. BLACKLOCK. F S. BLACKLOCK. March 2, 1858.

TOPARTNERSHIP .- We, the undersigned, / have this day formed a copartnership, for the purpose of conducting a GENERAL GRO. CERY, LIQUOR, AND PRODUCE COMMIS-SION BUSINESS, under the name and style of

old stand of D. & S. Biacklock.
D. R. BLACKLOCK. THOS. MARSHALL. March 2, 1858. F. S. BLACKLOCK.

HOWARD is still connected with the I above house, and will continue to give his strict personal attention to the sales of Coun-TRY PRODUCE, and to the filling of country orders. He earnestly solicits the patronage of his old friends and the public generally, to the above firm, which he can recommend with conmb 3-1m

OTICE.—The Stockholders of the ALEX-ANDRIA, MOUNT VERNON & ACCO-TINK TURNPIKE COMPANY, are requested o meet on the 11th of March next, at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the Marshall House, in Alexandria, Va., to consider an alteration in the route of said Turnpike, as adopted at a late meeting of the Board of Directors. As it has since then been ascertained by actual survey, that the Clifton Hill route is not only a feasible route, but is nearly one mile nearer from Alexandria to Mount Vernon, sure in showing it to any one who may be disand can be made much cheaper, and at one quarter less elevation of grade than is allowed by the charter, and drawing to it more travel and consequently will be more profitable to the Stockholders than the route adopted by the Board of Directors.

AARON LEGGETT, DILWORTH BUCKMAN, HENRY TRUEAX, feb 6-eotd CHALKLEY GILLINGHAM.

York, to transact a GENERAL BROKERAGE containing 5124 ACRES, it being a portion of BUSINESS, such as the purchase and sale of the Norton tract. REAL ESTATE, STOCKS, LAND WAR-RANTS, &c., &c., offers his services to his Vir-

for improved or unimproved lands. I have now a customer for an improved ROBERT H. GALLAHER, No. 51, Liberty street, New York.

wheat or corn sold in the New York market, will find it to their interest to address as above. New York mh 3-tf A CARD - Having been appointed Agent, for the BALTIMORE CLIPPER, in Al-

exandria, all those who wish to subscribe, by leaving their names and places of residence, at my Book and Periodical Store, 75 Prince street, or at H. Mansfield's Segar Store, North Royal street, will receive the Paper next Monday, that being the day I have made arrangements to re-GEORGE SIGGERS. ceive them. mh 5-1w

AUTION .- All persons are hereby cautioned not to trust any one one on my account, as I will pay no bills, contracted by any person except through order from me mh 6-31* EMIL ROSENTHAL

cupied by Wm. M. Smith. Enquire of

mi 3-tf Trastee.



BY MAGNETIC TELEGRAPH.

From Richmond.

[SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE GAZETTE.] RICHMOND, March 8.-The Senate and House of Delegates met to day, at 12 o'clock, in pursuance of the proclamation of the Governor. In the House of Delegates, the Speaker took the chair and all the old officers were elected by resolution. All business was taken up where left off at the late session, except those Senate bills unacted on returned to the Senate amended, and House bills unacted on in the Senate, or returned to the House amended.

It will take a day or two to get matters perfectly straight. A much better feeling prevails, and the internal improvement bills will come up on the 17th, with a fair prospect of passing.

Later from Havana,

New York, March 8th .- The steamship Cahawba, from New Orleans via Havana, arrived here this morning. The news from the latter port is unimportant. A gale occurred on the night of the 1st inst., which did some trifling damage to the shipping.

New Sugars were coming in slowly, and consequently prices ruled firm. The weather was cool and pleasant, and the daily health reports showed a perfect freedom from any prevailing disease.

The Weather.

BALTIMORE, March 8th .- (12 m.)-The wind is Southwest. It has been snowing since daylight, and there is a prospect of a heavy storm. Ther. 26°

PHILADELPHIA, March 8th -Snow commenced falling about ten o'clock this morning, and a heavy storm is pending. Ther. 24°. Barom. 29: 39.

Detention of the Niegara. New York, March 8th .-- The steam frigate Niagara is still at anchor off the quarantine station on Staten Island.

AUCTION SALES.

CHERIFF'S SALE -Will be sold, on Friday, the 12th instant, for cash, at the "Nebraska House," on King, between Pitt and St. Asaph streets, all the BAR FIXTURES AND FURNITURE, belonging to the house, to satisfy rent in arrears due to Catharine Coryton. Sale to commence at 10 o'clock.

E. SANGSTER, Sheriff. mh 9-dts BY S. J. McCORMICK-AUCTIONERS. TRUSTEE'S SALE OF A FARM NEAR ALEXANDRIA, VA .- Under authority a deed of trust, dated on the 10th day of November, 1856, and duly of record in Book Y. No. 3 page 126, of the Fairfax County, Virginia, Land Records, the undersigned, as Trustee, will offer for sale, at public auction, on Saturday, the 13th day of March next, at Samuel Catts's Tavern, West End, near Alexandria, Va., a TRACT OF LAND, in the said County of signature of the firm, in settling the business Fairfax, containing about FIFTY ACRES, ad-

thereof. All persons indebted are called upon joining the lands of Mrs. R. M. Scott and Thompson Javins. The said FARM is situated on the "old road," leading from Alexandria to to make early payment, and those having claims Backlick Church-about four miles irom the former place—has on it a comfortable
DWELLING, good Barn and Stable—is said to be well adapted to the growth of the crops usually cultivated in that region, and par-

TERMS OF SALE :- Une-third money to be paid in cash—the balance in two equal instalments, one on the 10th day of November, 1858, and the other on the 10th day of November, 1859-the deferred payments to be secured by the bonds of the purchaser-said bonds to bear interest from the day of sale. The title to be retained till the purchase money is fully paid, and the property to be resold at the risk of the purchaser, in the event of failure

to pay any portion of the purchase money as it

ecomes due. S. FERGUSON BEACH, Trustee. feb 25-dts TERUSTEE'S SALE .- By virtue of a deed of trust from Samuel Russell, to the undersigned, dated the 10th day of July, 1851, and duly recorded in the Clerk's Office of the County et Fairfax, Liber Q. No. 3, folio 142, I shall sell at Public Auction at Fairfax Court House, on Monday, the 15th day of March next, (that being Court day) the TRACT OF LAND in the BLACKLOCK, MARSHALL & CO, at the said deed mentioned, containing 1954 ACRES, or so much thereof as may be sufficient to pay the debt secured by the said deed. The above

Tract of Land is situated in the County of Fairtax, about four miles from the village of Dranesville, and near the Potomac River. The improvements consist of a comfortable Frame DWELLING HOUSE, containing six rooms and Kitchen, also a large frame BARN and a fine young Orchard of Peaches and Apples of select fruit; 100 Acres of the Land is well tenced and improved; 45 Acres are in Wood and Timber. 1451 Acres, upon which the buildings and

improvements are loocated, will be sold first .-If they shall not prove sufficient to pay the debt, then the residue of the Tract (50 Acres) will be sold. Upon the latter there is a small frame The last mentioned tract is principally in pine. Selling as Trustee I shall convey only such title as is vested in me, which, however, is believed, to be unquestionable. Terms CASH. Sale to take place between twelve and three o'clock .-Mr. Russell residing on the farm will take plea-

THOS. R. LOVE, posed to purchase. Fairfax County, feb 13-eots VALUABLE FARM FOR SALE.—By virtue of four deeds of trust, executed to me by Robert Morrow, and of record in the County Court of Fauquier county, I shall, for the purposes in said deeds mentioned, offer for sale, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House of Fauquier county, TIRGINIA FARMS WANTED.—The subing Court day,) a valuable TRACT OF LAND, scriber having located in the city of New on Licking Run, near the Warrenton Junction,

This Farm offers many inducements to purchasers. The soil is good, and susceptible of a ginia friends, who may wish to find purchasers high state of improvement. Its location is healthy and advantageous, and it is well supplied

with Wood and Water. The terms of sale, as agreed by the parties in interest, will be one-third of the purchase money in cash; the remaining two thirds in equal instalments of one and two years, with interest N. B. Farmers who may wish to have their from the day of sale, to be secured by bonds with good security, and a deed of trust on the land.

JOHN P. PHILIPS, Trustee. land. Fauquier county, Va., mh 2-eots

TORSES FOR SALE .- No. 1. A Jet Black HORSES FOR SALE.—No. 1. A Jet Black CANADIAN, 9 years old, 144 hands high; supposed to be the fastest saddle or harss Horse in the State

No. 2. ROAN MARE, 6 years old, very stylish, in double harness. No. 3. SORREL HORSE, 8 years old-a splendid saddle Horse, and very stylish, in dou-

ble or single harness. No. 4. A powerful GREY HORSE, 7 years old, suitable for heavy wagon or dray purposes. The above HORSES can be seen for a week at THOMAS COYLE'S Stable. mb 3-d!w

HOUSE FOR RENT .- The dwelling HOUSE, on Prince street, next door east FOR RENT .- The STOREHOUSE, cor- of the Alexandria, Loudoun and Hampshire ner of Prince and Union streets, lately oe. Railroad office. The house is in thorough re-S. FERGUSON BEACH, low. Apply at the office of the Gazette.